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CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE INVESTIGATE SUSPCIOUS DEATH RULED A HOMICIDE

On Sunday 07/24/05 at approximately 7:00 p.m. State Police Troop-K received a telephone complaint reporting that a female was missing from a private residence located at 13 Stoney Brook Rd. East Haddam. State Troopers responded to the scene and initiated an investigation. A search of the residence and the surrounding area was conducted. State Police K-9 teams were utilized in the search. State Police took the missing female's car from the house for further examination. Family members and friends of the missing woman were interviewed. Area law enforcement agencies were advised of this case and all of the facts known regarding the missing woman.

State Police continued this investigation attempting to locate the missing female. Troopers developed leads and information in this case. On 07/26/05 shortly after 3:00 p.m, State Police Troopers conducted a search of the residence. At approximately 3:00 p.m. Troopers located the body of the female deceased and partially hidden inside of the residence. The female was pronounced dead at the scene.

State Police secured the area as a crime scene. The State Police Eastern District Major Crime Squad responded to the scene to conduct the criminal investigation into this death. The Middletown State's Attorney Office and East Haddem Resident Trooper's Office are assisting in the investigation.

The Office of The Chief State's Medical Examiner conducted a post mortem examination of the deceased The death has been ruled a homicide. The cause of death was determined to be strangulation.

The female victim has been identified as **Dawn Delvecchio** DOB: 2/4/66 who was residing 13 Stoney Brook Road East Haddam, CT.

The State Police Major Crime Squad Detectives are continuing this investigation.

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